

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3007

March 30, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

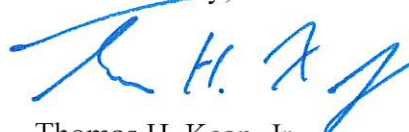
Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Linden Senior Bus Transportation Project in the City of Linden, New Jersey, 7th Congressional District in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Linden, New Jersey, located at 210 North Wood Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036. This funding would be used for a new community senior bus. The senior bus will assist the City of Linden's senior and disabled population to navigate the City and get to and from important points of interest, such as shopping centers, medical offices, recreational facilities, and the City's senior/recreational center where they have access to many recreational, educational, and cultural activities. The purchase of a new bus will increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the City's transportation program for senior citizens and individuals with disabilities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the purchase of a new bus will increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the City's transportation program for senior citizens and individuals with disabilities. The City of Linden is a densely populated, diverse community of approximately 44,000 residents. The population has grown approximately 10% since 2010. The current bus is at the end of its useful life. According to the 2022 U.S. Community survey, the City of Linden was home to over 6,000 individuals above the age of 65. This number is projected to keep rising. In addition to seniors, there are currently about 2,600 residents who are classified as being disabled.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. H. Kean, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

Thomas H. Kean, Jr.
Member of Congress